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SUBJECT: PL-480 TITLE I WHEAT

REF: A. STATE 233909

B. AMMAN 6570

1. REF A REPORTED THAT JORDAN HAD BEEN ALLOCATED 20,000 TONS OF WHEAT FOR REMAINDER OF FY-74. IN RESPONSE TO GOJ INQUIRIES, WE TOLD NATIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL INFORMALLY OF THIS ALLOCATION, BUT INDICATED WE DID NOT HAVE AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT. WITH THE DELAY, WE ARE AGAIN BEING PRESSED FOR ANSWER BY GOJ ON WHEN WE CAN PROCEED WITH SIGNATURE. MATTER WAS ALSO REPORTEDLY RAISED DIRECTLY WITH SECRETARY DURING HIS RECENT VISIT.

2. GOJ HAS WANTED TO OBTAIN MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF WHEAT POSSIBLE UNDER TITLE I OF PL-480 IN ORDER TO CONSERVE FOREIGN EXCHANGE AS WELL AS MINIMIZE CURRENT BUDGETARY IMPACT OF SUBSIDIZING FLOUR PRICES. GOJ RECOGNIZES THAT LIKE IT OR NOT THEY WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY BE FORCED TO PURCHASE SOME WHEAT COMMERCIALLY BUT HAD HOPED TO OBTAIN 25,000 TONS MORE FROM PL-480. QUICK SURVEY OF SUPPLY SITUATION REVEALS THAT STOCKS ARE SUFFICIENT TO MEET REQUIREMENTS ONLY TILL LATTER PART OF FEBRUARY, SO ALMOST IMMEDIATE ACTION IS NEEDED EITHER UNDER PL-480 OR COMMERCIALLY TO AVOID GAP IN SUPPLY. GOJ CONTINUES TO LOOK TO PL-480 AS ITS PREFERRED SOURCE

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FOR WHEAT. DELAY IN PROCEEDING WITH THE 20,000 TONS TENDS

TO AGGRAVATE JORDANIAN FEARS THAT US SUPPORT MAY BE
LAGGING AT A TIME WHEN JORDAN FEELS UNCOMFORTABLY
ISOLATED IN CONNECTION WITH
GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE.
THEREFORE, WE URGE THAT WASHINGTON AUTHORIZE US TO
COMPLETE AGREEMENT ASAP.
GRAHAM

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